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SUBJECT: SAUDI VISA FOR COLUMNIST JOSEPH KRAFT

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1. UNDER SECRETARY SISCO CALLED JOSEPH KRAFT JANUARY 30 AND PASSED CONTENTS REFTEL FROM AMBASSADOR AKINS. UNDER SECRETARY EMPHASIZED THAT ALTHOUGH CHANCES FOR KRAFT GETTING VISA LOOKED VERY GOOD, IT WAS IMPOSSIBLE TO GUARANTEE THAT VISA WOULD BE ISSUED.

2. KRAFT WAS APPRECIATIVE OF AMBASSADOR'S EFFORTS AND SAID ONCE HE DECIDED ON DEFINITE DATE VISIT SAUDI ARABIA, HE WOULD BE BACK IN TOUCH WITH DEPARTMENT. KRAFT ADDED THAT ALTHOUGH HE USUALLY MAKES IT A PRACTICE NOT TO STAY WITH FOREIGN SERVICE PERSONNEL WHEN HE TRAVELS OVERSEAS, HE WOULD PLAN TO ACCEPT AMBASSADOR AKINS' INVITATION STAY AT RESIDENCE. KISSINGER

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